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## **AMENDMENT FEE TRANSMITTAL**

Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment for the above-identified application in response to the Office Action mailed May 7, 2002.

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action be extended for a period of 3 months from August 7, 2002 to November 7, 2002. The required fee for the extension is estimated to be \$920.

No additional claims fee is required.

Please charge the required extension fee, estimated to be \$920, to Novozymes North America, Inc., Deposit Account No. 50-1701. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: November 7, 2002

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## **AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 7, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

#### IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 30-53 without prejudice or disclaimer. Please add new claims 54-70:

- 54. An animal feed composition, comprising
- (a) a xylanase of Family 11 glycosyl hydrolase having a pH-optimum in the range of 4.5-7.5 and a residual xylanase activity after incubation for 60 minutes at pH 6.0 of one or more of: more than 96% residual activity when measured at 60°C; more than 83% residual activity when measured at 65°C; more than 20% residual activity when measured at 70°C; and more than 10% residual activity when measured at 75°C, and 11/14/2002 BABRAHAI 00000115 501701 09467368
  - (b) a carrier or excipient.

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- 55. The animal feed composition of claim 54, further comprising arabinoxylans and glucuronoxylans.
- 56. The animal feed composition of claim 54, further comprising one or more enzymes selected from the group consisting of arabinanases, endoglucanases, galactanases, alphagalactosidases, beta-galactosidases, alpha-galacturonisidases, beta-glucanases, lipolytic enzymes, mannan acetyl esterases, mannanases, beta-mannosidases, pectate lyases, pectin